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writing of the History of Unitarianism for the American Church History Series. Dr. Allen was chosen one of the Directors of the American Peace Society in 1891, and remained such until the time of his death. He attended regularly the meetings of the Board and took a profound interest in all the great international questions of the day, especially that of arbitration as the only rational means of settling disputes. He attended the meeting of the Board in January, but was unable to take much part in its discussions, owing to sudden illness which had come upon him. Both Dr. Allen and Dr. Angier were the kind of men out of which the best civilization is builded.

### Brevities.

There ought to be a law for the punishment, and even the suppression, of a newspaper that will incite to war.—*Harpers Weekly*.

. . . Maurice Yokai, the celebrated Hungarian statesman and novelist, now in his seventy-third year, is president of the Hungarian Peace Society.

. . . Above all, it seems to me that American chivalry demands that we exercise our finest and nicest sense of honor and dignity, and impute nothing evil to the government of Spain, unless the most incontrovertible facts demonstrate such a necessity.—*Ex-Senator Edmunds*.

. . . There is no "I" in the Lord's Prayer; it is all "we"; it is all the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God.—*Frances E. Willard*.

. . . Edmond Potonié-Pierre, of Fontenay-sous-Bois, France, continues to put forth his *Petits Plaidoyers contre la Guerre*. He has sent out at different times, within a few years, about forty editions of these "flying sheets." It is a unique and very useful method of propaganda.

. . . Mr. L. H. Pillsbury of Derry, N. H., long a member and officer of the American Peace Society, has been busy with his pen during the recent exciting days. He has, through the *Derry News*, given his fellow townsmen something of just the right nature to steady their nerves.

. . . Mr. D. R. Goudie of Chicago, who has just begun the publication of a new peace paper, *The Pen or Sword?* has also organized a peace association in Chicago to be called "The International Peace Association." The headquarters of the Association is at 686 Madison St.

. . . Three parties in Germany have made international arbitration a part of their program. These are the Democratic Party, the Social Democrats and the Bavarian Peasants' Union.

. . . Franz Wirth, the late President of the Frankfurt Peace Society, left a legacy of ten thousand marks to the Society.

. . . Pastor Otto Umfrid of Stuttgart, Germany, continues to give addresses in his own and other German cities. Some of his audiences number a thousand people, so great is the interest in the cause of peace.

. . . Mr. John W. Penny of Mechanic Falls, Maine, recently read a paper on the Life of William Ladd before the Maine Historical Society. At the same time he pre-

sented to the Society an oil painting of William Ladd's home at Minot, Maine. This painting had been carefully prepared, with the aid of persons still living, to represent the home as it was in William Ladd's days, sixty years ago. The American Peace Society hopes to secure a copy of the picture.

. . . The Berne Peace Bureau has published in a pamphlet of 32 pages all the resolutions passed by the eight peace congresses already held. The resolutions are classified according to subjects, and printed in French, German, and English. Mr. Ducommun, the Secretary of the Bureau, has also prepared a Key to go with the pamphlet, giving in a condensed form the substance of the resolutions.

. . . At the laying of the foundation stone of the new pier at Cannes on the tenth ult., the Prince of Wales, who laid the stone, expressed his sincere hope that France might continue to enjoy the benefits of her present government, and that cordial relations between France and Great Britain might continue, for the good of humanity.

. . . Señor Don Luis Polo y Bernabe, the new Spanish Minister, arrived in Washington on the 10th of March. He denied that he had come to Washington with a special mission. He said he hoped through sincerity and goodwill to gain the approbation of the President and the people of the United States. Señor Bernabe speaks English well, having lived at one time in Washington when his father was Minister to this country.

. . . The London *Echo* says it is well known in Court circles that Queen Victoria has declared that she will never sign another declaration of war.

. . . The Navy League in England has offered literature for use in the senior classes of elementary schools. Thirty-seven schools have already been supplied. That is a part of the program for navalizing the nation.

. . . "Utopia is usually the truth seen a little way off," says the Princess Wiszniewska, president of the Women's International Disarmament League.

. . . In a speech at Cannes on the 22d ult., the Prince of Wales said he trusted the relations between France and England would be more and more friendly. Referring to international relations in general he said that we shall not need navies and armies much longer but that we shall have universal peace. The speech was greeted with great applause.

. . . The two new battleships, the *Kearsarge* and the *Kentucky* were launched at Newport News on the 24th of March. They have each a displacement of 11,525 tons.

### Do We Want War?

A SOBER SECOND THOUGHT.

BY HENRY WOOD.

Under civilized conditions war has no place. A resort to brute force, whether between individuals, communities or nations, never can right a wrong. Except for the purest self-defence it is essentially a crime, and no sophistical gloss can make it otherwise. Disguise it as we may, it is simply mutual murder on a colossal scale.